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Comments: I have great interest in our wild lands, over the years (I'm 68 now) I have been involved in cattle grazing, logging, pine poles, cedar posts, guiding for hunting, fishing and general recreational activities. I have spend many days out and have been involved in many conservation projects i.e. water development projects and timber harvest projects.

I have been able to observe the affects of a lot of different management procedures over time. My comments will be kept to areas that I have personal knowledge of.

First I would like to suggest that livestock grazing can be used to advantage in reducing some forms of fuel that might cause wild fires.

Second I would be very interested in being allowed to access lands to be burned to be able to harvest trees suitable for lumber, firewood, pine poles, and also cedar posts, etc. to them being burned or being cleared by other means.

There are several small one man sawmills in our area, as well as firewood cutters and many who use cedar posts and pine poles. All would be benefitted by being allowed to access and harvest resources in these areas prior to treatment. Its an advantage to our local economy and its people.

There are many areas around here that have been cleared by means of fires, chaining (railing) and also by masticating (both BLM and forest lands), as I have been out on our public lands I'm seeing some adverse affects from those treatments in certain areas i.e. increased erosion and its attending effects. While I'm in favor of positive management practices. I think we can figure into many management plans around our area and thereby be of benefit to everyone. We are currently purchasing permits for the resources we use and are a source of revenue. I would propose that these areas could be opened up to harvest these resources rather than being wasted during treatment